UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF RHODE ISLAND

ALBERT L. GRAY, Administrator, et al., Plaintiffs)
v.) C.A. No. 04-312L
JEFFREY DERDERIAN, et al., Defendants)))

ANSWER OF THE DEFENDANT JACK RUSSELL TO THE MASTER COMPLAINT OF THE SUPERIOR COURT PLAINTIFFS' STEERING COMMITTEE

The Defendant Jack Russell ("Mr. Russell") hereby responds to the numbered paragraphs of the Master Complaint of the Superior Court Plaintiffs' Steering Committee (the "Master Complaint") in accordance with Fed. R. Civ. P. 8 and 12 as follows:

Preliminary Statement

Mr. Russell has been the subject of past investigations by the Attorney General's Office of the State of Rhode Island concerning the Station Nightclub Fire, and has a reasonable and legitimate concern that he may be the subject of future investigations into such matters, which are included within the scope of the allegations of the Master Complaint. Under these circumstances, Mr. Russell faces a real possibility of criminal prosecution arising out of, and related to, the matters alleged in the Master Complaint. As stated in particular detail below, Mr. Russell therefore expressly exercises his rights under the Fifth Amendment of the United States Constitution and Article 1, Section 13 of the Rhode Island Constitution (the "Fifth Amendment Privilege") to the fullest extent possible in response to the Master Complaint, and respectfully declines to answer the allegations contained in the Master Complaint for that reason.

Accordingly, except where specifically addressed below, all of the allegations set forth in the Master Complaint are hereby deemed specifically denied for purposes of Fed. R. Civ. P. 8. See deAntonio v. Solomon, 42 F.R.D. 320, 322 (D. Mass 1967). Mr. Russell does not intend, by any of his responses, to waive his Fifth Amendment Privilege and protection, and respectfully requests that, in the case of any doubt or ambiguity, his responses be construed as an assertion of the Privilege rather than a waiver of the Privilege. Mr. Russell also specifically reserves his right to amend his answer, and states that he hopes to do so as soon as he may do so without compromising his rights under the Fifth Amendment.

Introduction

The allegations of this Introduction consist of conclusions of law and characterizations that require no response. To the extent that a response is required, should the allegations of these paragraphs be found to concern or relate to any acts or omissions of Mr. Russell (or be otherwise directed toward him), Mr. Russell respectfully invokes his Fifth Amendment Privilege against self-incrimination and declines to respond to those allegations, since the threat of criminal prosecution still exists. Mr. Russell also requests that his assertion of his Fifth Amendment Privilege have the effect of a denial of those allegations.

PARTIES

Plaintiffs

1. – 226. Mr. Russell is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations of these paragraphs, which are either (i) directed to individuals other than Mr. Russell, or (ii) conclusions of law to which no response is required. To the extent that a response is required, should the allegations of these paragraphs be found to concern or relate to any acts or omissions of Mr. Russell (or be otherwise directed toward him), Mr. Russell respectfully invokes his Fifth Amendment Privilege against self-incrimination and declines to

respond to those allegations, since the threat of criminal prosecution still exists. Mr. Russell also requests that his assertion of his Fifth Amendment Privilege have the effect of a denial of those allegations.

227. – 270. The Plaintiffs' have "reserved" paragraphs 227 through 270, and therefore Mr. Russell cannot respond to them at this time.

GENERAL ALLEGATIONS AS TO ALL DEFENDANTS

271. To the extent that the allegations of this paragraph concern any acts or omissions of Mr. Russell (or are otherwise directed toward him), Mr. Russell respectfully invokes his Fifth Amendment Privilege against self-incrimination and declines to respond to those allegations, since the threat of criminal prosecution still exists. Mr. Russell also requests that his assertion of his Fifth Amendment Privilege have the effect of a denial of those allegations.

JEFFREY DERDERIAN

- 272. Mr. Russell repeats and incorporates by reference herein his responses to all prior paragraphs of the Master Complaint.
- 273. 279 Mr. Russell is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations of these paragraphs, which are either (i) directed to defendants other than Mr. Russell, or (ii) conclusions of law to which no response is required. To the extent that a response is required, should the allegations of these paragraphs be found to concern or relate to any acts or omissions of Mr. Russell (or be otherwise directed toward him), Mr. Russell respectfully invokes his Fifth Amendment Privilege against self-incrimination and declines to respond to those allegations, since the threat of criminal prosecution still exists. Mr. Russell also requests that his assertion of his Fifth Amendment Privilege have the effect of a denial of those allegations.

<u>COUNT I</u> JEFFREY DERDERIAN – NEGLIGENCE

280. Mr. Russell repeats and incorporates by reference herein his responses to all prior paragraphs of the Master Complaint.

281. Mr. Russell is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations of this paragraph, which are either (i) directed to defendants other than Mr. Russell, or (ii) conclusions of law to which no response is required. To the extent that a response is required, should the allegations of this paragraph be found to concern or relate to any acts or omissions of Mr. Russell (or be otherwise directed toward him), Mr. Russell respectfully invokes his Fifth Amendment Privilege against self-incrimination and declines to respond to those allegations, since the threat of criminal prosecution still exists. Mr. Russell also requests that his assertion of his Fifth Amendment Privilege have the effect of a denial of the allegations.

<u>COUNT II</u> <u>VIOLATION OF RHODE ISLAND GENERAL LAWS</u> <u>TITLE 9, CHAPTER 1, SECTION 2</u>

- 282. Mr. Russell repeats and incorporates by reference herein his responses to all prior paragraphs of the Master Complaint.
- 283. Mr. Russell is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations of this paragraph, which are either (i) directed to defendants other than Mr. Russell, or (ii) conclusions of law to which no response is required. To the extent that a response is required, should the allegations of this paragraph be found to concern or relate to any acts or omissions of Mr. Russell (or be otherwise directed toward him), Mr. Russell respectfully invokes his Fifth Amendment Privilege against self-incrimination and declines to respond to those allegations, since the threat of criminal prosecution still exists. Mr. Russell also requests that his assertion of his Fifth Amendment Privilege have the effect of a denial of the allegations.

MICHAEL DERDERIAN

284. - 286. Mr. Russell is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations of these paragraphs, which are either (i) directed to defendants other than Mr. Russell, or (ii) conclusions of law to which no response is required. To the extent that a response is required, should the allegations of these paragraphs be found to concern or relate to any acts or omissions of Mr. Russell (or be otherwise directed toward him), Mr. Russell respectfully invokes his Fifth Amendment Privilege against self-incrimination and declines to respond to those allegations, since the threat of criminal prosecution still exists. Mr. Russell also requests that his assertion of his Fifth Amendment Privilege have the effect of a denial of those allegations.

COUNT III MICHAEL DERDERIAN - NEGLIGENCE

- 287. Mr. Russell repeats and incorporates by reference herein his responses to all prior paragraphs of the Master Complaint.
- 288. Mr. Russell is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations of this paragraph, which are either (i) directed to defendants other than Mr. Russell, or (ii) conclusions of law to which no response is required. To the extent that a response is required, should the allegations of this paragraph be found to concern or relate to any acts or omissions of Mr. Russell (or be otherwise directed toward him), Mr. Russell respectfully invokes his Fifth Amendment Privilege against self-incrimination and declines to respond to those allegations, since the threat of criminal prosecution still exists. Mr. Russell also requests that his assertion of his Fifth Amendment Privilege have the effect of a denial of the allegations.

<u>COUNT IV</u> <u>VIOLATION OF RHODE ISLAND GENERAL LAWS</u> TITLE 9, CHAPTER 1, SECTION 2

289. Mr. Russell repeats and incorporates by reference herein his responses to all prior paragraphs of the Master Complaint.

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DERCO, LLC

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<u>COUNT V</u> <u>DERCO, LLC - NEGLIGENCE</u>

- 294. Mr. Russell repeats and incorporates by reference herein his responses to all prior paragraphs of the Master Complaint.
- 295. Mr. Russell is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations of this paragraph, which are either (i) directed to defendants other than Mr. Russell, or (ii) conclusions of law to which no response is required. To the extent that a response is required, should the allegations of this paragraph be found to concern or relate to any acts or omissions of Mr. Russell (or be otherwise directed toward him), Mr. Russell respectfully invokes his Fifth Amendment Privilege against self-incrimination and declines to respond to those allegations, since the threat of criminal prosecution still exists. Mr. Russell also requests that his assertion of his Fifth Amendment Privilege have the effect of a denial of the allegations.

<u>VIOLATION OF RHODE ISLAND GENERAL LAWS</u> <u>TITLE 9, CHAPTER 1, SECTION 2</u>

- 296. Mr. Russell repeats and incorporates by reference herein his responses to all prior paragraphs of the Master Complaint.
- 297. Mr. Russell is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations of this paragraph, which are either (i) directed to defendants other than Mr. Russell, or (ii) conclusions of law to which no response is required. To the extent that a response is required, should the allegations of this paragraph be found to concern or relate to any acts or omissions of Mr. Russell (or be otherwise directed toward him), Mr. Russell respectfully invokes his Fifth Amendment Privilege against self-incrimination and declines to respond to those allegations, since the threat of criminal prosecution still exists. Mr. Russell also requests that his assertion of his Fifth Amendment Privilege have the effect of a denial of the allegations.

HOWARD JULIAN

298. – 299. Mr. Russell is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations of these paragraphs, which are either (i) directed to defendants other than Mr. Russell, or (ii) conclusions of law to which no response is required. To the extent that a response is required, should the allegations of these paragraphs be found to concern or relate to any acts or omissions of Mr. Russell (or be otherwise directed toward him), Mr. Russell respectfully invokes his Fifth Amendment Privilege against self-incrimination and declines to respond to those allegations, since the threat of criminal prosecution still exists. Mr. Russell also requests that his assertion of his Fifth Amendment Privilege have the effect of a denial of those allegations.

COUNT VI HOWARD JULIAN - NEGLIGENCE

- 300. Mr. Russell repeats and incorporates by reference herein his responses to all prior paragraphs of the Master Complaint.
- 301. Mr. Russell is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations of this paragraph, which are either (i) directed to defendants other than Mr. Russell, or (ii) conclusions of law to which no response is required. To the extent that a response is required, should the allegations of this paragraph be found to concern or relate to any acts or omissions of Mr. Russell (or be otherwise directed toward him), Mr. Russell respectfully invokes his Fifth Amendment Privilege against self-incrimination and declines to respond to those allegations, since the threat of criminal prosecution still exists. Mr. Russell also requests that his assertion of his Fifth Amendment Privilege have the effect of a denial of the allegations.

<u>COUNT VII</u> <u>VIOLATION OF RHODE ISLAND GENERAL LAWS</u> TITLE 9, CHAPTER 1, SECTION 2

302. Mr. Russell repeats and incorporates by reference herein his responses to all prior paragraphs of the Master Complaint.

303. Mr. Russell is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations of this paragraph, which are either (i) directed to defendants other than Mr. Russell, or (ii) conclusions of law to which no response is required. To the extent that a response is required, should the allegations of this paragraph be found to concern or relate to any acts or omissions of Mr. Russell (or be otherwise directed toward him), Mr. Russell respectfully invokes his Fifth Amendment Privilege against self-incrimination and declines to respond to those allegations, since the threat of criminal prosecution still exists. Mr. Russell also requests that his assertion of his Fifth Amendment Privilege have the effect of a denial of the allegations.

TRITON REALTY LIMITED PARTNERSHIP

304. – 307. Mr. Russell is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations of these paragraphs, which are either (i) directed to defendants other than Mr. Russell, or (ii) conclusions of law to which no response is required. To the extent that a response is required, should the allegations of these paragraphs be found to concern or relate to any acts or omissions of Mr. Russell (or be otherwise directed toward him), Mr. Russell respectfully invokes his Fifth Amendment Privilege against self-incrimination and declines to respond to those allegations, since the threat of criminal prosecution still exists. Mr. Russell also requests that his assertion of his Fifth Amendment Privilege have the effect of a denial of those allegations.

<u>COUNT VIII</u> TRITON REALTY LIMITED PARTNERSHIP - NEGLIGENCE

308. Mr. Russell repeats and incorporates by reference herein his responses to all prior paragraphs of the Master Complaint.

309. Mr. Russell is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations of this paragraph, which are either (i) directed to defendants other than Mr. Russell, or (ii) conclusions of law to which no response is required. To the extent that a response is required, should the allegations of this paragraph be found to concern or relate to any acts or omissions of Mr. Russell (or be otherwise directed toward him), Mr. Russell respectfully invokes his Fifth Amendment Privilege against self-incrimination and declines to respond to those allegations, since the threat of criminal prosecution still exists. Mr. Russell also requests that his assertion of his Fifth Amendment Privilege have the effect of a denial of the allegations.

<u>COUNT IX</u> <u>VIOLATION OF RHODE ISLAND GENERAL LAWS</u> <u>TITLE 9, CHAPTER 1, SECTION 2</u>

- 310. Mr. Russell repeats and incorporates by reference herein his responses to all prior paragraphs of the Master Complaint.
- 311. Mr. Russell is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations of this paragraph, which are either (i) directed to defendants other than Mr. Russell, or (ii) conclusions of law to which no response is required. To the extent that a response is required, should the allegations of this paragraph be found to concern or relate to any acts or omissions of Mr. Russell (or be otherwise directed toward him), Mr. Russell respectfully invokes his Fifth Amendment Privilege against self-incrimination and declines to respond to those allegations, since the threat of criminal prosecution still exists. Mr. Russell also requests that his assertion of his Fifth Amendment Privilege have the effect of a denial of the allegations.

TRITON REALTY, INC.

312. – 315. Mr. Russell is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations of these paragraphs, which are either (i) directed to defendants other than Mr. Russell, or (ii) conclusions of law to which no response is required. To the extent that a response is required, should the allegations of these paragraphs be found to concern or relate to any acts or omissions of Mr. Russell (or be otherwise directed toward him), Mr. Russell respectfully invokes his Fifth Amendment Privilege against self-incrimination and declines to respond to those allegations, since the threat of criminal prosecution still exists. Mr. Russell also requests that his assertion of his Fifth Amendment Privilege have the effect of a denial of those allegations.

COUNT X TRITON REALTY, INC. - NEGLIGENCE

- 316. Mr. Russell repeats and incorporates by reference herein his responses to all prior paragraphs of the Master Complaint.
- 317. Mr. Russell is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations of this paragraph, which are either (i) directed to defendants other than Mr. Russell, or (ii) conclusions of law to which no response is required. To the extent that a response is required, should the allegations of this paragraph be found to concern or relate to any acts or omissions of Mr. Russell (or be otherwise directed toward him), Mr. Russell respectfully invokes his Fifth Amendment Privilege against self-incrimination and declines to respond to those allegations, since the threat of criminal prosecution still exists. Mr. Russell also requests that his assertion of his Fifth Amendment Privilege have the effect of a denial of the allegations.

COUNT XI VIOLATION OF RHODE ISLAND GENERAL LAWS TITLE 9, CHAPTER 1, SECTION 2

318. Mr. Russell repeats and incorporates by reference herein his responses to all prior paragraphs of the Master Complaint.

319. Mr. Russell is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations of this paragraph, which are either (i) directed to defendants other than Mr. Russell, or (ii) conclusions of law to which no response is required. To the extent that a response is required, should the allegations of this paragraph be found to concern or relate to any acts or omissions of Mr. Russell (or be otherwise directed toward him), Mr. Russell respectfully invokes his Fifth Amendment Privilege against self-incrimination and declines to respond to those allegations, since the threat of criminal prosecution still exists. Mr. Russell also requests that his assertion of his Fifth Amendment Privilege have the effect of a denial of the allegations.

RAYMOND J. VILLANOVA

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COUNT XII RAYMOND J. VILLANOVA - NEGLIGENCE

- 324. Mr. Russell repeats and incorporates by reference herein his responses to all prior paragraphs of the Master Complaint.
- 325. Mr. Russell is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations of this paragraph, which are either (i) directed to defendants other than Mr. Russell, or (ii) conclusions of law to which no response is required. To the extent that a response is required, should the allegations of this paragraph be found to concern or relate to any acts or omissions of Mr. Russell (or be otherwise directed toward him), Mr. Russell respectfully invokes his Fifth Amendment Privilege against self-incrimination and declines to respond to those allegations, since the threat of criminal prosecution still exists. Mr. Russell also requests that his assertion of his Fifth Amendment Privilege have the effect of a denial of the allegations.

COUNT XIII VIOLATION OF RHODE ISLAND GENERAL LAWS TITLE 9, CHAPTER 1, SECTION 2

- 326. Mr. Russell repeats and incorporates by reference herein his responses to all prior paragraphs of the Master Complaint.
- 327. Mr. Russell is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations of this paragraph, which are either (i) directed to defendants other than Mr. Russell, or (ii) conclusions of law to which no response is required. To the extent that a response is required, should the allegations of this paragraph be found to concern or relate to any acts or omissions of Mr. Russell (or be otherwise directed toward him), Mr. Russell respectfully invokes his Fifth Amendment Privilege against self-incrimination and declines to respond to those allegations, since the threat of criminal prosecution still exists. Mr. Russell also requests that his assertion of his Fifth Amendment Privilege have the effect of a denial of the allegations.

JACK RUSSELL

- 328. Mr. Russell admits that he is a resident of California. Since the remaining allegations of this paragraph concern or relate to acts or omissions of Mr. Russell (or are otherwise directed toward him), Mr. Russell respectfully invokes his Fifth Amendment Privilege against self-incrimination and declines to respond to those allegations, since the threat of criminal prosecution still exists. Mr. Russell also requests that his assertion of his Fifth Amendment Privilege have the effect of a denial of those allegations.
- 329. Since the allegations of this paragraph concern or relate to acts or omissions of Mr. Russell (or are otherwise directed toward him), Mr. Russell respectfully invokes his Fifth Amendment Privilege against self-incrimination and declines to respond to those allegations, since the threat of criminal prosecution still exists. Mr. Russell also requests that his assertion of his Fifth Amendment Privilege have the effect of a denial of those allegations.
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COUNT XIV JACK RUSSELL - NEGLIGENCE

- 332. Mr. Russell repeats and incorporates by reference herein his responses to all prior paragraphs of the Master Complaint.
- 333. Since the allegations of this paragraph concern or relate to acts or omissions of Mr. Russell (or are otherwise directed toward him), Mr. Russell respectfully invokes his Fifth Amendment Privilege against self-incrimination and declines to respond to those allegations, since the threat of criminal prosecution still exists. Mr. Russell also requests that his assertion of his Fifth Amendment Privilege have the effect of a denial of those allegations.

<u>COUNT XV</u> <u>VIOLATION OF RHODE ISLAND GENERAL LAWS</u> TITLE 9, CHAPTER 1, SECTION 2

334. In response to the allegations of the first sentence of this paragraph, Mr. Russell repeats and incorporates by reference herein his responses to all prior paragraphs of the Master Complaint. Since the remaining allegations of this paragraph concern or relate to acts or omissions of Mr. Russell (or are otherwise directed toward him), Mr. Russell respectfully invokes his Fifth Amendment Privilege against self-incrimination and declines to respond to those allegations, since the threat of criminal prosecution still exists. Mr. Russell also requests that his assertion of his Fifth Amendment Privilege have the effect of a denial of those allegations.

JACK RUSSELL TOURING, INC.

335. Mr. Russell admits that Jack Russell Touring, Inc., is a California corporation. Since the remaining allegations of this paragraph may be read to concern or relate to acts or omissions of Mr. Russell (or be otherwise directed toward him), Mr. Russell respectfully invokes his Fifth Amendment Privilege against self-incrimination and declines to respond to those

allegations, since the threat of criminal prosecution still exists. Mr. Russell also requests that his assertion of his Fifth Amendment Privilege have the effect of a denial of those allegations.

336. Since the allegations of this paragraph may be read to concern or relate to acts or omissions of Mr. Russell (or be otherwise directed toward him), Mr. Russell respectfully invokes his Fifth Amendment Privilege against self-incrimination and declines to respond to those allegations, since the threat of criminal prosecution still exists. Mr. Russell also requests that his assertion of his Fifth Amendment Privilege have the effect of a denial of those allegations.

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<u>COUNT XVI</u> JACK RUSSELL TOURING, INC. - NEGLIGENCE

- 340. Mr. Russell repeats and incorporates by reference herein his responses to all prior paragraphs of the Master Complaint.
- 341. Since the allegations of this paragraph may be read to concern or relate to acts or omissions of Mr. Russell (or be otherwise directed toward him), Mr. Russell respectfully invokes his Fifth Amendment Privilege against self-incrimination and declines to respond to those allegations, since the threat of criminal prosecution still exists. Mr. Russell also requests that his assertion of his Fifth Amendment Privilege have the effect of a denial of those allegations.

COUNT XVII VIOLATION OF RHODE ISLAND GENERAL LAWS TITLE 9, CHAPTER 1, SECTION 2

- 342. Mr. Russell repeats and incorporates by reference herein his responses to all prior paragraphs of the Master Complaint.
- 343. Since the allegations of this paragraph may be read to concern or relate to acts or omissions of Mr. Russell (or be otherwise directed toward him), Mr. Russell respectfully invokes his Fifth Amendment Privilege against self-incrimination and declines to respond to those allegations, since the threat of criminal prosecution still exists. Mr. Russell also requests that his assertion of his Fifth Amendment Privilege have the effect of a denial of those allegations.

PAUL WOOLNOUGH

344. – 347. Mr. Russell is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations of these paragraphs, which are either (i) directed to defendants other than Mr. Russell, or (ii) conclusions of law to which no response is required. To the extent that a response is required, should the allegations of these paragraphs be found to concern or relate to any acts or omissions of Mr. Russell (or be otherwise directed toward him), Mr. Russell

respectfully invokes his Fifth Amendment Privilege against self-incrimination and declines to respond to those allegations, since the threat of criminal prosecution still exists. Mr. Russell also requests that his assertion of his Fifth Amendment Privilege have the effect of a denial of those allegations.

COUNT XVIII PAUL WOOLNOUGH - NEGLIGENCE

- 348. Mr. Russell repeats and incorporates by reference herein his responses to all prior paragraphs of the Master Complaint.
- 349. Mr. Russell is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations of this paragraph, which are either (i) directed to defendants other than Mr. Russell, or (ii) conclusions of law to which no response is required. To the extent that a response is required, should the allegations of this paragraph be found to concern or relate to any acts or omissions of Mr. Russell (or be otherwise directed toward him), Mr. Russell respectfully invokes his Fifth Amendment Privilege against self-incrimination and declines to respond to those allegations, since the threat of criminal prosecution still exists. Mr. Russell also requests that his assertion of his Fifth Amendment Privilege have the effect of a denial of the allegations.

<u>COUNT XIX</u> <u>VIOLATION OF RHODE ISLAND GENERAL LAWS</u> <u>TITLE 9, CHAPTER 1, SECTION 2</u>

- 350. Mr. Russell repeats and incorporates by reference herein his responses to all prior paragraphs of the Master Complaint.
- 351. Mr. Russell is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations of this paragraph, which are either (i) directed to defendants other than Mr. Russell, or (ii) conclusions of law to which no response is required. To the extent that a response is required, should the allegations of this paragraph be found to concern or relate to any

acts or omissions of Mr. Russell (or be otherwise directed toward him), Mr. Russell respectfully invokes his Fifth Amendment Privilege against self-incrimination and declines to respond to those allegations, since the threat of criminal prosecution still exists. Mr. Russell also requests that his assertion of his Fifth Amendment Privilege have the effect of a denial of the allegations.

MANIC MUSIC MANAGEMENT, INC.

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COUNT XX MANIC MUSIC MANAGEMENT, INC. - NEGLIGENCE

- 356. Mr. Russell repeats and incorporates by reference herein his responses to all prior paragraphs of the Master Complaint.
- 357. Mr. Russell is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations of this paragraph, which are either (i) directed to defendants other than Mr. Russell, or (ii) conclusions of law to which no response is required. To the extent that a response is required, should the allegations of this paragraph be found to concern or relate to any acts or omissions of Mr. Russell (or be otherwise directed toward him), Mr. Russell respectfully invokes his Fifth Amendment Privilege against self-incrimination and declines to respond to

those allegations, since the threat of criminal prosecution still exists. Mr. Russell also requests that his assertion of his Fifth Amendment Privilege have the effect of a denial of the allegations.

<u>COUNT XXI</u> <u>VIOLATION OF RHODE ISLAND GENERAL LAWS</u> <u>TITLE 9, CHAPTER 1, SECTION 2</u>

- 358. Mr. Russell repeats and incorporates by reference herein his responses to all prior paragraphs of the Master Complaint.
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KNIGHT RECORDS, INC.

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<u>COUNT XXII</u> KNIGHT RECORDS, INC. - NEGLIGENCE

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VIOLATION OF RHODE ISLAND GENERAL LAWS TITLE 9, CHAPTER 1, SECTION 2

- 366. Mr. Russell repeats and incorporates by reference herein his responses to all prior paragraphs of the Master Complaint.
- 367. Mr. Russell is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations of this paragraph, which are either (i) directed to defendants other than Mr. Russell, or (ii) conclusions of law to which no response is required. To the extent that a response is required, should the allegations of this paragraph be found to concern or relate to any acts or omissions of Mr. Russell (or be otherwise directed toward him), Mr. Russell respectfully invokes his Fifth Amendment Privilege against self-incrimination and declines to respond to those allegations, since the threat of criminal prosecution still exists. Mr. Russell also requests that his assertion of his Fifth Amendment Privilege have the effect of a denial of the allegations.

DANIEL BICHELE

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COUNT XXIV DANIEL BICHELE - NEGLIGENCE

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<u>COUNT XXV</u> <u>VIOLATION OF RHODE ISLAND GENERAL LAWS</u> TITLE 9, CHAPTER 1, SECTION 2

- 374. Mr. Russell repeats and incorporates by reference herein his responses to all prior paragraphs of the Master Complaint.
- 375. Mr. Russell is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations of this paragraph, which are either (i) directed to defendants other than Mr. Russell, or (ii) conclusions of law to which no response is required. To the extent that a response is required, should the allegations of this paragraph be found to concern or relate to any acts or omissions of Mr. Russell (or be otherwise directed toward him), Mr. Russell respectfully invokes his Fifth Amendment Privilege against self-incrimination and declines to respond to those allegations, since the threat of criminal prosecution still exists. Mr. Russell also requests that his assertion of his Fifth Amendment Privilege have the effect of a denial of the allegations.

ANHEUSER-BUSCH, INCORPORATED AND ANHEUSER-BUSCH COMPANIES, INCORPORATED

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other than Mr. Russell, or (ii) conclusions of law to which no response is required. To the extent that a response is required, should the allegations of these paragraphs be found to concern or relate to any acts or omissions of Mr. Russell (or be otherwise directed toward him), Mr. Russell respectfully invokes his Fifth Amendment Privilege against self-incrimination and declines to respond to those allegations, since the threat of criminal prosecution still exists. Mr. Russell also requests that his assertion of his Fifth Amendment Privilege have the effect of a denial of those allegations.

ANHEUSER-BUSCH - NEGLIGENCE

385. Mr. Russell repeats and incorporates by reference herein his responses to all prior paragraphs of the Master Complaint.

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MCLAUGHLIN & MORAN

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MCLAUGHLIN & MORAN, INC. - NEGLIGENCE

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WHJY, INC.

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WHJY, INC. - NEGLIGENCE

- 402. Mr. Russell repeats and incorporates by reference herein his responses to all prior paragraphs of the Master Complaint.
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CLEAR CHANNEL BROADCASTING, INC.

404. – 407. Mr. Russell is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations of these paragraphs, which are either (i) directed to defendants other than Mr. Russell, or (ii) conclusions of law to which no response is required. To the extent that a response is required, should the allegations of these paragraphs be found to concern or relate to any acts or omissions of Mr. Russell (or be otherwise directed toward him), Mr. Russell respectfully invokes his Fifth Amendment Privilege against self-incrimination and declines to respond to those allegations, since the threat of criminal prosecution still exists. Mr. Russell also requests that his assertion of his Fifth Amendment Privilege have the effect of a denial of those allegations.

COUNT XXVI CLEAR CHANNEL BROADCASTING, INC. - NEGLIGENCE

408. Mr. Russell repeats and incorporates by reference herein his responses to all prior paragraphs of the Master Complaint.

409. Mr. Russell is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations of this paragraph, which are either (i) directed to defendants other than Mr. Russell, or (ii) conclusions of law to which no response is required. To the extent that a response is required, should the allegations of this paragraph be found to concern or relate to any acts or omissions of Mr. Russell (or be otherwise directed toward him), Mr. Russell respectfully invokes his Fifth Amendment Privilege against self-incrimination and declines to respond to those allegations, since the threat of criminal prosecution still exists. Mr. Russell also requests that his assertion of his Fifth Amendment Privilege have the effect of a denial of the allegations.

DENIS P. LAROCQUE, ANTHONY BETTENCOURT AND DIANE DERUOSI, IN HER CAPACITY AS TREASURER OF THE TOWN OF WEST WARWICK

410. – 424. Mr. Russell is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations of these paragraphs, which are either (i) directed to defendants other than Mr. Russell, or (ii) conclusions of law to which no response is required. To the extent that a response is required, should the allegations of these paragraphs be found to concern or relate to any acts or omissions of Mr. Russell (or be otherwise directed toward him), Mr. Russell respectfully invokes his Fifth Amendment Privilege against self-incrimination and declines to respond to those allegations, since the threat of criminal prosecution still exists. Mr. Russell also requests that his assertion of his Fifth Amendment Privilege have the effect of a denial of those allegations.

COUNT XXVII DIANE DERUOSI, IN HER CAPACITY AS TREASURER OF THE TOWN OF WEST WARWICK - NEGLIGENCE

425. Mr. Russell repeats and incorporates by reference herein his responses to all prior paragraphs of the Master Complaint.

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<u>COUNT XXVIII</u> DENIS P. LAROCQUE, FIRE INSPECTOR - NEGLIGENCE

- 427. Mr. Russell repeats and incorporates by reference herein his responses to all prior paragraphs of the Master Complaint.
- 428. Mr. Russell is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations of this paragraph, which are either (i) directed to defendants other than Mr. Russell, or (ii) conclusions of law to which no response is required. To the extent that a response is required, should the allegations of this paragraph be found to concern or relate to any acts or omissions of Mr. Russell (or be otherwise directed toward him), Mr. Russell respectfully invokes his Fifth Amendment Privilege against self-incrimination and declines to respond to those allegations, since the threat of criminal prosecution still exists. Mr. Russell also requests that his assertion of his Fifth Amendment Privilege have the effect of a denial of the allegations.

<u>COUNT XXIX</u> <u>VIOLATION OF RHODE ISLAND GENERAL LAWS</u> TITLE 9, CHAPTER 1, SECTION 2

- 429. Mr. Russell repeats and incorporates by reference herein his responses to all prior paragraphs of the Master Complaint.
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COUNT XXX ANTHONY BETTENCOURT - NEGLIGENCE

- 431. Mr. Russell repeats and incorporates by reference herein his responses to all prior paragraphs of the Master Complaint.
- 432. Mr. Russell is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations of this paragraph, which are either (i) directed to defendants other than Mr. Russell, or (ii) conclusions of law to which no response is required. To the extent that a response is required, should the allegations of this paragraph be found to concern or relate to any acts or omissions of Mr. Russell (or be otherwise directed toward him), Mr. Russell respectfully invokes his Fifth Amendment Privilege against self-incrimination and declines to respond to those allegations, since the threat of criminal prosecution still exists. Mr. Russell also requests that his assertion of his Fifth Amendment Privilege have the effect of a denial of the allegations.

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND

IRVING J. OWENS, FIRE MARSHAL

433. – 435. Mr. Russell is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations of these paragraphs, which are either (i) directed to defendants other than Mr. Russell, or (ii) conclusions of law to which no response is required. To the extent that a response is required, should the allegations of these paragraphs be found to concern or relate to any acts or omissions of Mr. Russell (or be otherwise directed toward him), Mr. Russell respectfully invokes his Fifth Amendment Privilege against self-incrimination and declines to respond to those allegations, since the threat of criminal prosecution still exists. Mr. Russell also requests that his assertion of his Fifth Amendment Privilege have the effect of a denial of those allegations.

COUNT XXXI STATE OF RHODE ISLAND - NEGLIGENCE

- 436. Mr. Russell repeats and incorporates by reference herein his responses to all prior paragraphs of the Master Complaint.
- 437. Mr. Russell is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations of this paragraph, which are either (i) directed to defendants other than Mr. Russell, or (ii) conclusions of law to which no response is required. To the extent that a response is required, should the allegations of this paragraph be found to concern or relate to any acts or omissions of Mr. Russell (or be otherwise directed toward him), Mr. Russell respectfully invokes his Fifth Amendment Privilege against self-incrimination and declines to respond to those allegations, since the threat of criminal prosecution still exists. Mr. Russell also requests that his assertion of his Fifth Amendment Privilege have the effect of a denial of the allegations.

COUNT XXXII IRVING J. OWENS - NEGLIGENCE

- 438. Mr. Russell repeats and incorporates by reference herein his responses to all prior paragraphs of the Master Complaint.
- 439. Mr. Russell is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations of this paragraph, which are either (i) directed to defendants other than Mr. Russell, or (ii) conclusions of law to which no response is required. To the extent that a response is required, should the allegations of this paragraph be found to concern or relate to any acts or omissions of Mr. Russell (or be otherwise directed toward him), Mr. Russell respectfully invokes his Fifth Amendment Privilege against self-incrimination and declines to respond to those allegations, since the threat of criminal prosecution still exists. Mr. Russell also requests that his assertion of his Fifth Amendment Privilege have the effect of a denial of the allegations.

BRIAN BUTLER

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COUNT XXXIII BRIAN BUTLER - NEGLIGENCE

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LIN TELEVISION CORPORATION

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COUNT XXXIV LIN TELEVISION CORPORATION - NEGLIGENCE

- 450. Mr. Russell repeats and incorporates by reference herein his responses to all prior paragraphs of the Master Complaint.
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CBS BROADCASTING, INC. D/B/A WPRI - CHANNEL 12

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COUNT XXXV CBS BROADCASTING, INC. - NEGLIGENCE

- 456. Mr. Russell repeats and incorporates by reference herein his responses to all prior paragraphs of the Master Complaint.
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BARRY H. WARNER

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COUNT XXXVI BARRY H. WARNER - NEGLIGENCE

- 464. Mr. Russell repeats and incorporates by reference herein his responses to all prior paragraphs of the Master Complaint.
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COUNT XXXVII VIOLATION OF RHODE ISLAND GENERAL LAWS TITLE 9, CHAPTER 1, SECTION 2

- 466. Mr. Russell repeats and incorporates by reference herein his responses to all prior paragraphs of the Master Complaint.
- 467. Mr. Russell is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations of this paragraph, which are either (i) directed to defendants other than Mr. Russell, or (ii) conclusions of law to which no response is required. To the extent that a response is required, should the allegations of this paragraph be found to concern or relate to any acts or omissions of Mr. Russell (or be otherwise directed toward him), Mr. Russell respectfully invokes his Fifth Amendment Privilege against self-incrimination and declines to respond to those allegations, since the threat of criminal prosecution still exists. Mr. Russell also requests that his assertion of his Fifth Amendment Privilege have the effect of a denial of the allegations.

LUNA TECH, INC. - NEGLIGENCE

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<u>COUNT XXXVIII</u> <u>LUNA TECH, INC. – STRICT LIABILITY</u>

- 472. Mr. Russell repeats and incorporates by reference herein his responses to all prior paragraphs of the Master Complaint.
- 473. 476. Mr. Russell is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations of these paragraphs, which are either (i) directed to defendants other than Mr. Russell, or (ii) conclusions of law to which no response is required. To the extent that a response is required, should the allegations of these paragraphs be found to concern or relate to any acts or omissions of Mr. Russell (or be otherwise directed toward him), Mr. Russell respectfully invokes his Fifth Amendment Privilege against self-incrimination and declines to respond to those allegations, since the threat of criminal prosecution still exists. Mr. Russell also requests that his assertion of his Fifth Amendment Privilege have the effect of a denial of those allegations.

COUNT XXXIX HIGH TECH SPECIAL EFFECTS, INC. - NEGLIGENCE

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COUNT XL HIGH TECH SPECIAL EFFECTS, INC. STRICT LIABILITY

- 481. Mr. Russell repeats and incorporates by reference herein his responses to all prior paragraphs of the Master Complaint.
- 482. 485. Mr. Russell is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations of these paragraphs, which are either (i) directed to defendants other than Mr. Russell, or (ii) conclusions of law to which no response is required. To the extent that a response is required, should the allegations of these paragraphs be found to concern or relate to any acts or omissions of Mr. Russell (or be otherwise directed toward him), Mr. Russell respectfully invokes his Fifth Amendment Privilege against self-incrimination and declines to respond to those allegations, since the threat of criminal prosecution still exists. Mr. Russell also requests that his assertion of his Fifth Amendment Privilege have the effect of a denial of those allegations.

<u>COUNT XLI</u> AMERICAN FOAM CORPORATION - NEGLIGENCE

486. Mr. Russell repeats and incorporates by reference herein his responses to all prior paragraphs of the Master Complaint.

487. – 491. Mr. Russell is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations of these paragraphs, which are either (i) directed to defendants other than Mr. Russell, or (ii) conclusions of law to which no response is required. To the extent that a response is required, should the allegations of these paragraphs be found to concern or relate to any acts or omissions of Mr. Russell (or be otherwise directed toward him), Mr. Russell respectfully invokes his Fifth Amendment Privilege against self-incrimination and declines to respond to those allegations, since the threat of criminal prosecution still exists. Mr. Russell also requests that his assertion of his Fifth Amendment Privilege have the effect of a denial of those allegations.

COUNT XLII AMERICAN FORM CORPORATION STRICT LIABILITY

- 492. Mr. Russell repeats and incorporates by reference herein his responses to all prior paragraphs of the Master Complaint.
- 493. 496. Mr. Russell is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations of these paragraphs, which are either (i) directed to defendants other than Mr. Russell, or (ii) conclusions of law to which no response is required. To the extent that a response is required, should the allegations of these paragraphs be found to concern or relate to any acts or omissions of Mr. Russell (or be otherwise directed toward him), Mr. Russell respectfully invokes his Fifth Amendment Privilege against self-incrimination and declines to respond to those allegations, since the threat of criminal prosecution still exists. Mr. Russell also

requests that his assertion of his Fifth Amendment Privilege have the effect of a denial of those allegations.

COUNT XLIII LEGGETT & PLATT INCORPORATION - NEGLIGENCE

- 497. Mr. Russell repeats and incorporates by reference herein his responses to all prior paragraphs of the Master Complaint.
- 498. 501. Mr. Russell is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations of these paragraphs, which are either (i) directed to defendants other than Mr. Russell, or (ii) conclusions of law to which no response is required. To the extent that a response is required, should the allegations of these paragraphs be found to concern or relate to any acts or omissions of Mr. Russell (or be otherwise directed toward him), Mr. Russell respectfully invokes his Fifth Amendment Privilege against self-incrimination and declines to respond to those allegations, since the threat of criminal prosecution still exists. Mr. Russell also requests that his assertion of his Fifth Amendment Privilege have the effect of a denial of those allegations.

COUNT XLIV LEGGETT & PLATT CORPORATION STRICT LIABILITY

- 502. Mr. Russell repeats and incorporates by reference herein his responses to all prior paragraphs of the Master Complaint.
- 503. 506. Mr. Russell is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations of these paragraphs, which are either (i) directed to defendants other than Mr. Russell, or (ii) conclusions of law to which no response is required. To the extent that a response is required, should the allegations of these paragraphs be found to concern or relate to any acts or omissions of Mr. Russell (or be otherwise directed toward him), Mr. Russell

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<u>COUNT XLV</u> L & P FINANCIAL SERVICES CO. - NEGLIGENCE

507. Mr. Russell repeats and incorporates by reference herein his responses to all prior paragraphs of the Master Complaint.

508. – 510. Mr. Russell is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations of these paragraphs, which are either (i) directed to defendants other than Mr. Russell, or (ii) conclusions of law to which no response is required. To the extent that a response is required, should the allegations of these paragraphs be found to concern or relate to any acts or omissions of Mr. Russell (or be otherwise directed toward him), Mr. Russell respectfully invokes his Fifth Amendment Privilege against self-incrimination and declines to respond to those allegations, since the threat of criminal prosecution still exists. Mr. Russell also requests that his assertion of his Fifth Amendment Privilege have the effect of a denial of those allegations.

<u>COUNT XLVI</u> <u>L&P FINANCIAL SERVICES CO. – STRICT LIABILITY</u>

- 511. Mr. Russell repeats and incorporates by reference herein his responses to all prior paragraphs of the Master Complaint.
- 512. 515. Mr. Russell is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations of these paragraphs, which are either (i) directed to defendants other than Mr. Russell, or (ii) conclusions of law to which no response is required. To the extent that a response is required, should the allegations of these paragraphs be found to concern or

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COUNT XLVII GENERAL FOAM CORPORATION - NEGLIGENCE

- 516. Mr. Russell repeats and incorporates by reference herein his responses to all prior paragraphs of the Master Complaint.
- 517. 519. Mr. Russell is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations of these paragraphs, which are either (i) directed to defendants other than Mr. Russell, or (ii) conclusions of law to which no response is required. To the extent that a response is required, should the allegations of these paragraphs be found to concern or relate to any acts or omissions of Mr. Russell (or be otherwise directed toward him), Mr. Russell respectfully invokes his Fifth Amendment Privilege against self-incrimination and declines to respond to those allegations, since the threat of criminal prosecution still exists. Mr. Russell also requests that his assertion of his Fifth Amendment Privilege have the effect of a denial of those allegations.

COUNT XLVIII GENERAL FOAM CORPORATION – STRICT LIABILITY

- 520. Mr. Russell repeats and incorporates by reference herein his responses to all prior paragraphs of the Master Complaint.
- 521. 524. Mr. Russell is without knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the truth of the allegations of these paragraphs, which are either (i) directed to defendants other than Mr. Russell, or (ii) conclusions of law to which no response is required. To the extent

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COUNT XLIX GFC FOAM, LLC - NEGLIGENCE

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<u>COUNT LIV</u> FMXI, INC. – LIABILITY AS GENERAL PARTNER

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JBL INCORPORATED F/K/A JAMES B. LANSING SOUND INCORPORATED D/B/A JBL PROFESSIONAL - NEGLIGENCE

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<u>COUNT LVII</u> JBL INCORPORATED – <u>STRICT LIABILITY</u>

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ESSEX INSURANCE COMPANY, MULTI-STATE INSPECTIONS, INC. AND HIGH CALIBER INSPECTIONS, INC.

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COUNT LIX HIGH CALIBER INSPECTIONS, INC. - NEGLIGENCE

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UNDERWRITERS AT LLOYD'S, LONDON AND GRESHAM & ASSOCIATES OF R.I., INC.

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FOUR SEASONS COACH LEASING, INC.

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<u>COUNT LXII</u> <u>VIOLATION OF RHODE ISLAND GENERAL LAWS</u> TITLE 9, CHAPTER 1, SECTION 2

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COUNT LXIII "JOHN DOE" DEFENDANTS - NEGLIGENCE

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AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSES

FIRST AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

This Defendant asserts the affirmative defense of lack of personal jurisdiction over him by this Court and the State Court from which this action was removed.

SECOND AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

If the Plaintiffs should prove that injuries and damages were sustained as alleged, such injuries and damages resulted from acts or omissions of third parties over whom this Defendant had no control or right of control.

THIRD AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

While the allegations of the Plaintiffs are deemed denied with respect to negligence, statutory liability, strict liability, injury and damages, to the extent that the Plaintiffs may be able to prove the same, they were the result of intervening and/or interceding acts or superseding negligence on the part of third parties over which this Defendant had neither control nor right of control.

FOURTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

This Defendant states that, if the Plaintiffs suffered injuries or damages, as alleged, such injuries or damages were caused by some person(s) or entity(ies) for whose conduct this Defendant was not and is not legally responsible.

FIFTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

This Defendant did not act individually or engage in concert of action with any one or more of the other defendants herein for the purpose of accomplishing an unlawful purpose or to accomplish some purpose, not in and of itself unlawful, by unlawful means. Nor did this Defendant join in or participate in any joint venture with any one or more of the other defendants herein. Accordingly, the Plaintiffs cannot recover against this Defendant under theories of civil conspiracy or joint venture liability.

SIXTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

The damages, if any, recovered by the Plaintiffs from the decedent's alleged wrongful death are prescribed and limited by the provisions of R.I. Gen. Laws §§ 10-7-1 through 10-7-4.

SEVENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

The Plaintiffs' claim for a specific monetary award (ad damnum) is barred by Rhode Island law and should be stricken pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws § 9-1-30.

EIGHTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

This Defendant asserts the affirmative defense that the Complaint fails to state any claim against this Defendant upon which any relief, whether compensatory, exemplary, punitive, or otherwise can be granted.

NINTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

This Defendant asserts the affirmative defense that to the extent the Plaintiffs seek to impose punitive damages, any such claim for punitive damages would be unconstitutional under the United States Constitution and applicable provisions of the Rhode Island State Constitution and unlawful under applicable State statutes to the extent that, among other things: (1) a defendant's liability for punitive damages and the appropriate amount of punitive damages are not required to be established by clear and convincing evidence; (2) punitive damages are sought to be awarded without bifurcating the trial of all punitive damages issues; (3) any award of punitive damages is sought with no predetermined limit, such as a maximum multiple of compensatory damages or a maximum amount on the amount of punitive damages that the court or a jury may impose; (4) any award of punitive damages is based on anything other than a defendant's alleged conduct in connection with the events at issue in this lawsuit; or (5) an award of punitive damages is sought for the purpose of compensating the Plaintiffs for elements of damage not otherwise recognizable by applicable State law.

TENTH AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

The Plaintiffs' claims are time-barred by the applicable Statute(s) of Limitations.

JURY DEMAND

This Defendant demands a trial by jury on all issues so triable.

WHEREFORE, the Defendant, Jack Russell, respectfully requests that:

- A. the Plaintiffs' Complaint be dismissed with prejudice as to him;
- B. Plaintiffs' demands for relief against him be denied in every respect; and
- C. the Court grant such other and further relief as may be just, proper and equitable.

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Dated: September <u>22</u>, 2004

CERTIFICATION OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on the day of September, 2004, I mailed a true copy of the within Answer of the Defendant Jack Russell to Plaintiffs' Master Complaint of the Superior Court Plaintiffs' Steering Committee via first-class mail, postage prepaid to all counsel of record listed on attached service list.

Collette Palmer